

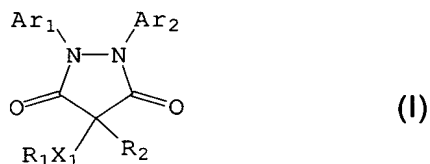
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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-26(cancelled).

27(currently amended). A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of formula I



wherein Ar₁ and Ar₂ are phenyl optionally substituted with hydroxy, thiol, C₁-C₆ alkoxy, cyano or halo, X₁ is O or S, R₁ is hydrogen or a hydroxyl or thiol protecting an acyl group and R₂ is H or a C₁-C₁₀ alkyl, alkenyl, aryl, aralkyl, alkaryl or arylsulphonylalkyl group, together with at least one pharmaceutically acceptably carrier or excipient with the proviso that if said composition contains any 3,5-pyrazoladine dione having neither a 4-hydroxy nor a 4-thiol group then the relative weight ratio of said 3,5-pyrazoladine dione having neither a 4-hydroxy nor a 4-thiol group to said compound of formula I is not more than 98:2.

Claim 28(cancelled).

29(Previously presented). A composition as claimed in claim 27 wherein R₂ is n-propyl, n-butyl, n-pentyl, 1-methylbut-2-en-4-yl, phenyl, benzyl, methylphenyl or phenylsulphonylethyl.

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30(previously presented). A composition as claimed in claim 27 wherein X_1 is oxygen.

31(previously presented). A composition as claimed in claim 27 wherein Ar_1 and Ar_2 are independently phenyl optionally substituted with hydroxy or cyano groups.

32(currently amended). A composition as claimed in claim 27 wherein said weight ratio is not more than 50:50.

33(currently amended). A composition as claimed in claim 27 wherein said weight ratio is not more than 10:90.

Claims 34-38(cancelled).